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CONDEMNED WIFE MURDERER SUICIDES

Charles Petty Cheats the Gallows When He Makes Dash From Guards and Climbs a Thirty-Two Foot Pole From Which He Dives to the Ground.

Coroner's Inquest Exonerates Warden and Prison Officials--Petty Was to Have Been Hanged Friday.

(Special to the Bonanza.)
CARSON CITY, July 25.—Shortly after 4 o'clock this afternoon Charles Calvin Petty, the Sparks wife murderer, killed himself at the state prison by jumping from a high pole and striking his head on the stone pavement.

The prisoners were being given a three-quarter hour exercise in the yard as is customary under the personal attention of one of the death watch and with the guard on the wall. Petty walked up and down the yard with the others for a short time and suddenly made a dash to the rear of one of the buildings where an electric light pole with iron steps for convenience in ascending the same. Petty rushed to this pole and commenced climbing. His guard followed closely behind him. One of the guards on the wall pointed his gun at Petty as if to shoot and told him to halt. Petty stopped for a moment and waited for him to shoot, but seeing that he did not intend to, he kept on climbing until he had reached the top of the pole a distance of thirty-two feet from the ground. He then turned with his back to the pole

and deliberately dived to the solid rock below with his hands out over his head like he was diving in water.

He struck the ground, breaking his fingers and arms and crushing in his skull. Upon hitting the ground he bounded into the air about two feet and fell dead. Warden Maxwell made a wild drive into the city and securing a doctor returned to the prison within eleven minutes, but the man had been dead for some time.

A coroner's jury was empaneled consisting of George A. Montrose, Ed Regan, T. R. Hofer Jr., Frank Regan, Frank Nevin and E. W. Harrington and with Justice Holmes held an inquest. After viewing the body and taking the testimony of the eye witnesses they rendered a verdict that the man came to his death by his own hands and exonerated the warden and the guards from all blame.

The body was washed and dressed and placed in a plain wooden casket and will be held for a day or two until Petty's family is heard from. If not heard from tomorrow he will be buried in the prison cemetery.

HEARST PAPERS DECLARED UNFAIR

By Associated Press.
DENVER, Colo., July 25.—The Western Federation of Miners passed a resolution, declaring that the papers owned by William Randolph Hearst, the papers being named, were "unfriendly to organized labor." The resolution was carefully worded and evidently was intended to ward off danger of prosecution under the boycott law.

The case of J. P. Madigan of Great Falls, Mont., who was exonerated two days ago on the charge of having served as a deputy sheriff for the Great Northern railroad during the strike, was again before the convention today, on alleged new evidence, but the result was still a more complete exoneration of Madigan.

WYOMING MINE STATION.

By Associated Press.
CHEYENNE, Wyo., July 25.—Senator Warren and Congressman Mondell say they have been assured that one of the mine rescue stations provided for by congress will be established at Rock Springs, Wyo., the cost to be from \$15,000 to \$20,000.

Scotland Yard Says Crippen is in Mid Ocean

By Associated Press.
LONDON, July 25.—That Dr. Hawley Crippen and his former stenographer, Ethel Clara Leneve, are aboard the Canadian Pacific steamer Montrose, now on the high seas, bound for Montreal, is the firm conviction held by Scotland Yard. Inspector Dew is now aboard the steamer Laurentic, which left Liverpool Saturday and is due at Montreal July 30, the date of the arrival of the Montrose. According to one dispatch received from Montreal, the Canadian Pacific officials are in receipt of a

wireless dispatch from the Montrose stating that the Leneve woman had been found and confessed. Another dispatch stated the company was unable to establish communication with the steamer.

The accumulating evidence points certainly that the couple are aboard the Montrose are Crippen and Ethel Leneve. Their movements have been traced practically ever since they left London, most of the time being spent in Belgium under the alias of Robinson, the girl passing as Robinson's daughter.

TWO FOREST FIRES RAGING IN COLORADO

By Associated Press.
DENVER, Colo., July 25.—Disastrous forest fires are raging in two sections of the state tonight and the foresters report both beyond control. The fire in the Routt preserve, is the most serious, and already the fire, which is really four different fires, is heading to a common center and has caused \$250,000 damage. Unless soon brought under control the loss will reach millions. Tonight a call for help was received at forestry headquarters from Fort Collins, 70 miles north of this city. The homes of hundreds of ranchmen and their livestock is threatened with destruction. The fire has burned over an area of ten square miles of grazing and timber lands.

THIRTEEN PROSTRATIONS REPORTED IN EL PASO

By Associated Press.
EL PASO, Tex., July 25.—For the first time since this region was settled, thirteen persons were prostrated from the heat today.

THREE KILLED; TWO INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

By Associated Press.
GRAND JUNCTION, Colo., July 25.—While racing with a west-bound Denver and Rio Grande passenger train in an automobile this afternoon, Walter Hodgins of Grand Junction, Miss Leona Adams of San Francisco and Miss Gladys Carlyle of Chicago were instantly killed. C. H. Carmen of Grand Junction and Chauffeur Thomas Rock of Denver were seriously injured. The automobile had passed the train and Rock attempted to cross in front of the locomotive. The engine struck the rear of the automobile, throwing Hodgins and the two women under the train.

NINETEEN DIE IN NEW YORK FROM THE HEAT

By Associated Press.
NEW YORK, July 25.—Nineteen deaths were caused today from the excessive heat and humidity.

TAFT SPENDS DAY FLOATING ABOUT PENOBSCOT BAY

By Associated Press.
ROCKLAND, Me., July 25.—Taft and his yachting party spent today in and about Penobscot bay. Tonight the Mayflower is anchored off Dark Harbor where Mrs. Taft is visiting her sister, Mrs. McLaughlin. In the morning the presidential party will go to Rockland harbor, where Taft is scheduled to make a speech. The president's strained right ankle was considerably improved today, although it is still causing him pain.

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MECHANICS IN CHICAGO WILL GO OUT ON STRIKE

By Associated Press.
CHICAGO, July 25.—A general tieup of the building operations in Chicago involving sympathetic strikes of 18,100 construction mechanics, was decided upon today by the Chicago Building Trades council, to become effective Wednesday, unless the employers yield in the meantime. This action was taken to compel the Otis Elevator company to reinstate striking members of the Elevator Constructors' union whose places are being filled by members of the International Association of Machinists.

TENNIS CHAMPIONS CONTEST FOR CUP

By Associated Press.
BROOKLINE, Mass., July 25.—William Larned, of Summit, N. J., the national tennis champion in singles, won the third and final leg of the Longwood cup today by defeating Maurice McLaughlin, of San Francisco in three out of four sets. Larned takes permanent possession of the Longwood cup.

COSTLY STORM SWOOPS DOWN UPON GLOBE ARIZ

By Associated Press.
GLOBE, Ariz., July 25.—The unusual weather conditions prevalent throughout southern Arizona during the past week, brought a terrific storm at Globe today that lasted half an hour, and caused damage estimated at \$20,000. The wind partially wrecked several buildings, while rain flooded numerous business houses and residences. The gas mains and electric wires in the northern portion of the city were so badly damaged that that section is without lights or fuel tonight.

MISSOURI HAS FATALITY FROM EXCESSIVE HEAT

By Associated Press.
JOPLIN, Mo., July 25.—The first death caused by the heat in the last week occurred today when Benjamin Shoemaker, aged 78 years, a retired merchant, died from over-exertion in the sun. The thermometer registered 107 degrees today.

JACK JOHNSON AGAIN ARRESTED IN NEW YORK

By Associated Press.
NEW YORK, July 25.—Jack Johnson was arrested again this evening. An automobile was the cause. His arrest for speeding has become an old story with Johnson, but it was a real shock when he was arrested this time, for standing still. He was accused of obstructing traffic by stopping his machine seven feet from the curb, and an additional charge of having a wrong number on his car was placed against him. He gave \$100 for appearance in court tomorrow.

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BELIEVED MISSING CASHIER RIFLED BANK STRONG BOX

General Alarm Sent Out by New York Police in Endeavor to Locate Cashier of Russo-Chinese Bank.

By Associated Press.
NEW YORK, July 25.—A general alarm was sent out by the police today for trace of Edwin Wider, the missing cashier of the Russo-Chinese bank, although oddly enough the district attorney said tonight that no aid had been asked it by the bank, and that no application for a warrant had been filed. But this contradiction is only one of a series that have kept step with every development of what is now admitted to be one of the most puzzling and most serious defalcations in the history of Wall street since Cornelius Alvard stole \$600,000 from the First National bank, served a term in Sing Sing, and then retired to the seclusion of a princely country palace.

BRYAN DENIES THAT HE WILL BOLT CONVENTION

By Associated Press.
CHILLOCOTHE, Mo., July 25.—William J. Bryan made a general denial here today of the story sent out from Lincoln, Neb., that he would lead a bolt from the Democratic convention in Nebraska and organize a ramp convention. Mr. Bryan said: "You may say that whenever there is anything to say in reference or intentions on any subject, I will say it myself, and in such a way as to leave no misunderstanding as to my meaning. I have given out no statement on the subject mentioned in the Lincoln dispatch."

COTTON TARIFF INCREASED TO BOOM STOCK MARKET

By Associated Press.
TOPEKA, Kan., July 25.—In an address tonight Senator Bristow declared that Aldrich had forced an increase in the cotton tariff schedules when the cotton manufacturers of the country were not asking for it. Bristow charged that the increases were made to boom the stock market.

SHOOTS HUSBAND AS HE SLEEPS

By Associated Press.
DENVER, Colo., July 25.—Pressing a revolver against the temple of her husband, Frank V. Ferrer, as he lay sleeping at four o'clock yesterday morning, Mrs. Lulu Ferrer sent a bullet crashing through his brain and a few minutes after

Dummy Entrymen Were Used to Locate Forest Land

By Associated Press.
SAN FRANCISCO, July 25.—Charging irregularities in the manner of acquisition of 15,320 acres of government timber land in the California Sierras, ninety-seven civil suits were brought today against prominent Pennsylvanian capitalists under direction of officials of the department of the interior for the purpose of redeeming the land and restoring it to the control of the land office. The defendants in the action are William Donaldson, Charles Gregory, of Pennsylvania; Pennsylvania Lumber company, Curtiss, Holbrook and Collins. A large number of entrymen, whose names were taken were also included as defendants. The government complaints allege the property was secured by defendants through the use of the names of dummy entrymen and that the claims were unlawfully filed. The forest land in question is located in Plumas, Lassen and Sierra counties. The value of the property is high, owing to the presence of vast timber forests.